

OUR EXPORT TRADE

Last Year Larger In the Aggregate
Than Any Former Year.

BALANCE ON THE RIGHT SIDE.

Excellent Showing For American Trade
Notwithstanding the Loss Sustained
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The complete reports are not in from all of the ports of entry, but it is known that the balance of trade in favor of this country for the year ending Dec. 31, 1896, was greater than for any year since 1881. The greatest balance the exports and imports of the United States ever showed was in 1879. That year the country sold \$264,000,000 more than it bought. In 1881 the exports were \$200,000,000 more than the imports. For 1896 the balance will fall but little below these two red-letter years.

The exports for 1896 were about \$832,616,000, and the imports were about \$837,616,000. The balance of trade in favor of the United States was about \$245,000,000. The aggregate of the foreign trade of the United States for the year was about \$1,625,000,000. The foreign trade of 1896 was greater than that of 1895 or 1894. It was almost equal to that of 1892, but in the latter year the balance in favor of this country was not so great.

One of the notable facts shown by a comparison of 1896 with 1895 is that the exports of American manufactures increased about \$50,000,000. Agricultural products increased about \$45,000,000 in 1896 over 1895. The exports of 1896 show a gain of \$100,000,000 over 1895. This excellent showing for American trade is made notwithstanding the loss which has been sustained in the trade with Cuba. The island sent to the United States \$22,000,000 of her products in 1895 and took \$12,000,000 of our products. This trade was almost entirely wiped out in 1896.

CIVILIAN EXPERTS.

They Will Be Employed by the Naval Department to Examine Steelplate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Secretary Herbert and Assistant Secretary McAdoo conferred for several hours with the members of the special board, headed by Captain McCormick, charged with an inquiry into defective structural steelplate supplied for the battleships. It has finally been determined to employ 12 or 15 civilian experts to aid the steel board in the inspection of steel at the mills. These will be paid from \$4 to \$6 per day and they will be selected after competitive examination by civil service methods. More than 50 applicants have already made their appearance, and a number of these have been notified to appear here for examination. The secretary decided to pursue the investigation initiated by the McCormick board and look into the quality of the material supplied for vessels other than the Kentucky, Kearsarge and Illinois, which have already been examined. To this end the McCormick board has been ordered to visit Cranage works at Philadelphia and examine the steel supplied by the Carnegie works for the battleship Alabama.

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Senator Cullum Wants Some Measure to End the Brutal War.

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It is said that McKinley has not invited anyone into his cabinet yet. The major seems to be simply studying the situation and taking his time about choosing his councillors.

This fact is worthy of note that travel by rail is now safer than travel over an ordinary highway. There is a smaller per cent of casualties in proportion to the number of passengers.

WEYER claims to have pacified the province of Pinar del Rio—all but an army of 5,000 hidden away in the mountains. But a little thing like that doesn't trouble so great a general as the Spanish leader in Cuba.

JAPAN has ordered two steel cruisers from this country and two from England, to have a length of 374 feet, a draft of eighteen feet and a speed of twenty-two and a half knots per hour. The result will be a test between the shipbuilders of the two countries and in these tests American skill has usually triumphed.

A FERRY-BOAT that will carry thirty loaded railway cars at once, besides miscellaneous freight and passengers, is a pretty good sized boat, yet that is the kind of craft that now runs the ferry across Lake Michigan between Ludington and Manitowoc. There has been a remarkable increase in size of lake steamers within the past few years.

THE quadrennial agitation for lengthening the presidential term to six years is being renewed. But while the four years of democratic administration just past is fresh in mind, it will be hard to convince a great many of our people that two years more of the same deficit producing administration would be a public benefit.

Provisions will probably be made in the new tariff law for a much broader reciprocity clause than was in force under the McKinley law. No stroke of statesmanship in these closing days of the nineteenth century has done so much for American commerce as has reciprocity. Our people, regardless of party will be glad to see it in force again.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets
All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

ARGENTINE WHEAT.

The persistent, conspicuous and eager exploiting of the Argentine Republic as a formidable rival to the United States in grain raising or as a great factor in the world of cereals has come to a halt. For several years English buyers used Argentine as a club to knock down the wheat markets, or the paw of the great bear. It is hardly too much to say that it was one stupendous confidence game. The Argentine wheat crop, at best, has been a relatively small affair, and what is more, the quality of wheat is poor. It would all be graded rejected in our Chicago market.

The latest advices say that the surplus this year will be only thirteen million bushels, not enough to furnish bread to the state of Illinois, and less than half the production of the state, and Illinois is not much of a wheat state either. It is safe to say that the surplus of Illinois is greater than that of the much-vaunted Argentine Republic.

The United States has no occasion to be jealous of Argentina, but we have a right to protest against the use of that little "jag" of wheat to cheat our farmers out of a fair price for their crop, as has been done year after year, almost, in fact, ever since that country began to raise wheat for exportation.

THE GEORGIA ANTI-TRUST LAW.

The state of Georgia has recently enacted an anti-trust law which is quite comprehensive. It prohibits and declares void all contracts, agreements or arrangements made with a view to preventing or obstructing free competition. It declares unlawful and void all trusts that are designed to regulate prices. Domestic corporations that disobey the law must surrender their charter and foreign corporations violating its provisions are prevented from doing business in the state. It is made the duty of the attorney general of the state to begin suit against any corporations failing to comply with the provisions of the law. There are no distinctions made between different kinds of trusts or combinations. All are to be treated alike. It is based on the theory that free competition is a public advantage and anything that takes this away is against the interest of the people.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaver ville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free bottle at W. F. Peter's, successor to J. H. Andrews & Co.'s drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

In the Tolls of a Blizzard.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 5.—The state of Iowa is in the tolls of a fierce blizzard. The temperature has been falling and the loose snow is drifting and threatens to interfere with railway travel. Owing to the falling of the telegraph and telephone wires are down.

Snow Storm in Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 5.—The railroads of the southwest are suffering badly from the snow storm. All trains were late, and in some places the traffic was suspended.

New Yacht for Victoria.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—A new ocean-going yacht is to be built for Queen Victoria in place of the Victoria and Albert, the present royal yacht.

Closed by the Sheriff.

QUINCY, Ill., Jan. 5.—The wholesale and retail crockery store of H. Ritter & Co., was closed by the sheriff yesterday on judgments aggregating about \$8,000. The total assets are \$40,000 and liabilities \$30,000. Business will be resumed shortly.

Democrats Organize the Legislature.

BOISE, Ida., Jan. 5.—Governor Frank C. Steuneger and the other State officers were sworn in yesterday without ceremony of any kind. Both branches of the legislature met and were organized by the Democrats and silver Republicans. The latter voted solidly for the Democratic nominees. The Populists who fused with the Democrats in the election did not get a place.

President-Elect McKinley.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 5.—Mr. and Mrs. McKinley took a drive yesterday and later received a few personal friends. The president-elect will go to Canton tomorrow on personal business and return the next morning. An important conference is taking place today, but with whom Mr. Hanna refuses to say.

Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at this place and if not called for within 14 days will be sent to the dead letter office:

Blackford Mrs J C	Beckman Wm
Gray Miss Alice	Booley O R
Murray Miss Jennie	Brinkley Chas
Ramsey Miss Sarah	Brown Wm
Wilson Mrs H C	Hines Wm
Stevens Miss Ethel	Hughes Thos
Sweany Mrs Mary	Hughes A W
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A New Life of Gladstone

The most important feature of the January magazine number of The Outlook is the appearance of the initial chapters of Mr. Justin McCarthy's "Story of Gladstone's Life." Mr. McCarthy's fame as a novelist, biographer, historian, parliamentarian and Irish leader makes whatever he writes of peculiar interest. He has found no more congenial employment than in biographical work. There is a special value to this biography over most in giving to us portraits rather than comment, personality rather than politics. Nevertheless we are sure that the politics must receive due appreciation from one who has had such just reason to be grateful for Mr. Gladstone's espousal of the Irish cause. The opening chapter of this "Life" describes the Gladstone family, their home at Liverpool, young William's school and college days at Eaton and Oxford, his thought of becoming a clergyman, his friends and contemporaries, his first parliament and his early appearance in public life. The value of the text is doubled by reason of the illustrations. There are a number of interesting souvenirs of Mr. Gladstone's school days, one of them being his first book plate, used at the tender age of twelve; another is a facsimile of the title page of his first Virgil, signed at the age of thirteen; and another a facsimile of the minutes of the Eton Debating Society, signed by "W. E. Gladstone, Secretary." (\$2 a year. The Outlook Company, 13 Astor Place, New York.)

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Grandma Bultman is again numbered with the sick.

Trustee C. J. Reynolds and wife, of Vallonia, visited friends in this vicinity last Sunday.

Misses Emma Garris and Pearl Reynolds started to Brownstown high school last Monday.

Levi Acton and daughters, of Free-town, were guests of John Pierrer and family Friday.

Scott McElfresh, who for some months has been at Bedford is here visiting his parents.

Mrs. Elisha Sewell, of West Brownstown, was called to the bedside of her sick mother, Grandma Bultman.

Charley Anderson and son, Will, made a business trip to the Muscatuck bottoms one day last week.

While out serenading one night last week George Miller was accidentally shot through the foot and caused him much pain.

For Sale.

Cottage in good repair, cor. Chestnut and Oak
W. E. HOADLEY,
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The progressive ladies of Westfield Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by C. W. Milhous.

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Under escort of American Tourist Association, Rean Campbell, General manager. Sleeping and dining cars and special baggage cars through all the tour without change. More miles and days in Mexico, more cities and towns than ever offered. Tickets include all expenses, sleeping and dining cars, hotel, etc. For information apply to F. Van Dusen, Chief Assistant General Passenger Agent, Pennsylvania Lines, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of Wm. H. Penn, chief clerk in the railroad mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Price 25 and 50 cents; sold by C. W. Milhous.

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INDIANA OIL FIELDS

Decline in Price and Overproduction Has Been Disastrous.

DIED FROM A SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Sold His Body to the Physicians—Spontaneous Combustion—Central Illinois Pioneer Dead—Oldest Lutheran Minister Passes Away—School Building Damaged by Fire—Unknown Man Fell Dead.

ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 5.—The annual itemized report of the Indiana oil operations has been issued. The decline in the price of oil and overproduction has been disastrous to Indiana workers and the conditions existing in this State probably exist in all. The number of wells drilled was 1,687; the new production 47,152 barrels; the number of dry holes, 452. In the preceding year the number of wells drilled was 3,711; the new production was 17,877 barrels over this year, and the number of dry holes 754.

SOLD HIMSELF.

Jacob Gindlesparger Bartered His Body to Medical Men.

LAFORT, Ind., Jan. 5.—The death of Jacob Gindlesparger, a well known citizen of Kendallville, will be followed by the delivery of his body to the Fort Wayne College of Medicine. Gindlesparger sold his body 15 years ago for \$15. Dr. J. L. Gilbert, a Kendallville physician, being the purchaser. Judge Wildman drew up the contract, and Gindlesparger, wishing to save his family and friends the expense of a funeral, signed away all claim to his cold body. The sale is declared by law to be valid, and the provisions of the unique contract will be carried out. Gindlesparger's body will be cut to pieces in the interest of the medical science.

ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER.

Smith's Defense, It Is Alleged, Will Be a Plea of Insanity.

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 5.—The trial of Claude Smith for the murder of Albert Frech, opened yesterday. It is alleged that Smith lay in wait for Frech on his way home from work six weeks ago, and after killing and robbing him threw the body into the river. The case for the prosecution is almost convincing and it is openly stated that the defense will make a plea of insanity. Smith is a nephew of John H. Bass, the millionaire iron founder of this city.

EXPLOSION OF BLASTING POWDER.

One Child Burned to Death and Two Others Seriously Injured.

MILLERSVILLE, O., Jan. 5.—A son of Alex Dolwick got hold of several pounds of blasting powder, and went to the cellar, accompanied by three sisters to kill rats. The stuff exploded and one girl, 8 years old, was burned to death. The clothing of the other children caught fire and they were terribly burned, as were Mr. and Mrs. Dolwick in trying to put out the flames.

Two Thousand Miners Out.

MASSELTON, O., Jan. 5.—Notices have been posted at all the mines in the Massillon district announcing the reduction in the price of picking mining from 61 to 51 cents a ton. The notice promised that if the coming convention at Columbus shall fix a higher rate than 51 cents the operators will pay it from Jan. 1. The posting of the notice caused a cessation of work at all the mines in the district and nearly 3,000 men are idle. A convention has been called to consider the reduction.

Unknown Man Fell Dead.

ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 5.—An unknown man fell dead at the Big Four railway station last yesterday. There is nothing on his person to indicate his identity, save the name L. Thomas on a laydown collar, 15 1/2 in size. The body is that of a person apparently about 50 years old, with almost a full set of whiskers, high cheek bones and Roman nose. He was dressed in black.

Oldest Lutheran Minister.

FREEPORT, Ill., Jan. 5.—Rev. N. J. Stroh of Mount Morris is dead. Father Stroh, as he was commonly called, was the oldest Lutheran minister in the United States. He would have been 90 years of age on the 5th of next May. He was widely known all over this part of the country.

Spontaneous Combustion.

PORTLAND, Ind., Jan. 5.—A large frame barn in Noble township, the property of Dr. J. A. Morehouse was burned together with 1,000 bushels of corn, three years' crop of oats, a lot of hay and farming implements. The flames originated in a silo, presumably spontaneous combustion.

By Hanging.

JOHET, Ill., Jan. 5.—Hugh Hentchel, aged 53 years, committed suicide at his home in this city by hanging himself. He had made an unsuccessful attempt to kill himself by cutting his throat with a razor. Three weeks ago his wife left him and his five children.

Sudden Death of Miss McClure.

VINCENNES, Ind., Jan. 5.—Miss Effie McClure, 18-year-old daughter of ex-County Treasurer McClure, a student at Lincoln University, and home on a vacation, was stricken with a pain in the head yesterday and died within an hour.

School Building Damaged by Fire.

PIERCEBTON, Ind., Jan. 5.—Yesterday the public school building, caught fire from an overheated furnace, causing considerable damage. The school has been dismissed until the loss can be adjusted by the insurance companies.

Central Illinois Pioneer Dead.

PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 5.—Mr. Crane, the venerable father-in-law of Congressman J. V. Graft, and one of the pioneer and leading residents of central Illinois, is dead, near this city.

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Given away for a few days only, commencing Saturday, December 12, trial boxes, each containing one week's treatment of Wright's Celery Capsules at Pellet's drug store. Any person afflicted with Liver, Kidney or Stomach Complaints, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Sick Headaches, can get one of the boxes free. Wright's Celery Capsules are purely vegetable, easy to take, no bad taste, do not grip. Particulars out of the city can get them free by addressing The Wright Medical Co., Columbus, O.

POSTAL EVOLUTION.

STORY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAIL SERVICE.

Crude Methods of Early Ages—Biblical References to the Post—Beginning of What Has Become an Almost Perfect and a Cheap System.

It seems almost incredible, in view of the wonderful labyrinth of postal routes all over the world today, that there ever could have been a time when there were no postoffices, no letter carrier, no mail facilities at all.

But, of course, there had to be some means of communication even in the earliest ages, though these were confined for centuries to emperors and kings and other great rulers. The emperors of Egypt, of Persia, of Assyria and of Rome held many lesser kings and satraps as their vassals. With these it was necessary to communicate with certainty and regularity, and therefore couriers were employed to carry dispatches and reports to and from the more distant provinces.

Of course no one man or one horse could traverse the whole route, so stations were established along the roads at certain intervals, where couriers were always in readiness to relieve weary brothers, and carry on the dispatches with uniform speed. These stations were called "posts," from the Latin word positum—fixed or placed—whence comes the name of our modern postal system.

In the Old Testament are frequent references to the posts. In II Chronicles you will find, "So the posts went with the letters," and "So the posts passed from city to city." In Esther also and in Job and Jeremiah you will find other allusions to the posts. But they were never for the use of the common people.

The Roman Emperor Augustus was the first to establish a system of posts suggestive of the present system. You have heard the saying, "All roads lead to Rome." This was the origin of it. From Rome as a center post roads were built, called "royal highways," extending all over Europe. After the decline of the Roman empire these post roads were abandoned by degrees, and during the dark ages they almost entirely disappeared.

In the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, however, their need began to be so strongly felt that posts between different parts of the same country were established, and soon these were extended into other countries. These posts were carried first by foot runners and then a little later by men on horseback.

It was not long, though, before the post privilege was extended, and it was found impossible for horseback riders to carry the increasing mail, so wheeled conveyances were provided, and the next step was for these conveyances to carry passengers as well as the mail.

And thus from the post was evolved the mail coach. What this meant to our hitherto shut in ancestors it is hard for us of the present day to realize even faintly. But it is safe to say that the evolution of the public post and the mail coach did more than any other one thing to hasten civilization.

In the reign of the Emperor Frederick III, Francis von Lax, whose grandfather is said to have established a postal service across the Tyrol and Styria, entered the service of the house of Hapsburg and became the founder of the modern postal system. Through Von Lax the emperor established regular posts throughout his kingdom between the years 1440 and 1498, and at the beginning of the sixteenth century the Austrian post became the international post of the Hapsburg dynasty.

In France the University of Paris organized a postal service in the thirteenth century which flourished until 1719. In some parts of Europe there were brotherhoods and mercantile guilds which established posts and postoffices subject to the government.

In England, in 1658, Rowland Hill started a private post, but Cromwell's heavy hand came down on the enterprise, and the men who carried the letters were trampled down and killed by his soldiers. Later on Mr. Hill came to the front again, instituted many reforms in the service, and at last gave to England a real and effective postal service. Louis XI of France founded a postal system in 1464, which was greatly improved by Charles IX in 1565.

But it was not alone the Christian nations that felt the need of a postal service. When the Spaniards invaded South America, they found a regular system of posts in operation, so that the news of their landing was carried to the Inca with incredible swiftness, the postmen being runners, who carried around their waists knotted cords, a code of signals or sign writing.

Coming down to our own country, suppose we take a peep at the mail methods in vogue in its earlier days. Let us take as a type the postal service between Boston and New York, where, in 1762, a post was established "to go monthly." Post riders, starting at the same hour from each end of the route, carried the mails. Leaving on Monday morning, they met and exchanged bags at Saybrook, Conn., on the following Saturday. Then each man returned to his starting point, which, of course, took nearly another week.

It was Benjamin Franklin that, in 1775, suggested the plan for a postal service on which our present system is founded. In the early days of this system rates were charged that seem outrageous to us of the present day—between Boston and New York, 18 1/2 cents, and 25 cents for points beyond. Of course this led to swindling the government and the smuggling of letters. Private parties carried mail secretly at lower rates, and in 1859 Harnden's express entered the field, carrying letters concealed in bundles and other packages at less than legal rates.

But as soon as the government lowered its charges all these smugglers dropped out of the race. There was no money in it then.—Philadelphia Times.

Plate and Sheet Mills.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 5.—The plate and sheet mill of the Cleveland Rollingmill company, which has been closed down since 1898, will resume operations within a few days giving employment to probably 200 or 300 hands.

Electric Cars Collide.

KANSAS CITY, Kan., Jan. 5.—Two elevated electric cars collided yesterday, each being badly wrecked. Five passengers were badly shaken up and more or less seriously injured, but not fatally hurt. Dr. Adolph D. Orlich, the most seriously injured, was bruised on the head and rendered unconscious.

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JOHN A. ROSS.

Charley Brinkley left this morning for Seymour. Charley is figuring on a position with a furniture factory there for the superintendent of the establishment.—Columbus Herald.

The little daily photos 50 cents and the Brownie cabinet photos 75 cents a dozen at Platter & Co.'s South side gallery. Just the thing for young folks.

We have received a sample copy of the new song "Come Home to Mother" the latest publication by Isaac Doles of Indianapolis. Mr. Doles will send you a sample copy for 15 cents and this notice. Regular price 40 cents.

When "Human Hearts" was here some time ago our people were delighted with the performance. "777" which is to be at the opera house tomorrow night is a play on the same order and should draw a large house. Do not fail to hear it.

The funeral of the late M. A. Youtsey will take place from the Christian church at 10 o'clock tomorrow forenoon; interment in the city cemetery. Religious services will be conducted by Rev. T. J. Stevenson. All friends are cordially invited to attend.

Farmers in northern Indiana say that the mild weather of the past month has practically killed the fall wheat. Many of the fields present the appearance of scorched grass, while the roots are dead the result of the ravages of a peculiar kind of worm. Wheat sown in corn ground has not suffered so much as that sown in fallow. From present indications many of the fields will be plowed up in the spring and replanted in corn.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that the members of Beharrell Encampment, No. 109 I. O. O. F., will elect three trustees on Friday night, January 22, 1897.

F. NEEDHAM, C. D.

C. D. LUMKIN, Scribe.

"My daughter, when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes London Groves, of Bardia, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by C. W. Milhouse.

PERSONALS.

L. Loyd is here from Covington, Ky. Ewing Shields went last evening to Vernon.

Miss Laura Moore returned to-day to Walsboro.

K. Applewhite, Jr., was here last night from Brownstown.

Miss Winnie Warren, of Scott county, is here the guest of friends.

Mrs. Dr. Charles Patrick went to day to Brownstown to visit friends.

John Kamman came home last night from a visit to Holland relatives.

Miss Ella Ensinger returned last night to visit to Seymour friends.

Mrs. F. A. Wilson, of Paris, came here to-day to see friends and relatives.

Mrs. Will Driscoll came home last night from a visit to Shoals relatives.

Several Washington people came up last evening and left for Indianapolis.

Mrs. Cynthia James came here this morning from Mitchell to visit friends.

S. B. Leiman and wife, of Bedford, came here this morning to see friends.

Miss Emma Everback came home last night from a visit to New Albany friends.

Miss Alice Cobb went this morning to Indianapolis to visit friends and relatives.

Mrs. F. M. Johnson returned last night to Edinburg from a visit here to friends.

Robert Binder came home Monday from an enjoyable visit to friends a Loogootee.

Mrs. John Kline and sister, Mrs. Daniel Vannoy, returned last night to Columbus.

Mrs. Fred Scoble returned last night to Washington from a visit to her sisters at Columbus.

Allen Shepard's son came up last evening to visit his aunt, Mrs. Hopewell and family.

Misses Ella and Sina Warner came here last evening from Crothersville to visit Mrs. A. Lile.

Miss Nellie Rumbley accompanied her cousin, Miss Alpha Brock, home Monday at Elora.

Miss Ada Frank returned to Seymour Tuesday to attend her school duty.—Jeffersonville News.

Miss Lula Borman has returned to her uncle, John Bocham, from a visit to her parents here.

Mrs. J. L. Dixon, after an enjoyable visit to her mother, Mrs. Jane Lee, returned last evening to Hope.

J. C. Ingram, A. D. Rodgers, M. F. Maddox and S. A. Almond, of Indianapolis, were in the city this morning.

Amos Walton and wife, after a visit to R. R. Short and family and other friends, returned last night to Butlerville.

Mrs. Thomas Langley, after an enjoyable visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Gault, and family returned last night to Aurora.

Miss Louisa Nieman, after a pleasant holiday visit to her father, Fred Nieman and family returned last night to Cincinnati.

Mrs. William Borman after an enjoyable visit to her father-in-law, Harry Borman, and family returned last night to Cincinnati.

Mrs. L. D. Warman and Miss Ida Warman, who have had an enjoyable visit to friends here returned last night to Columbus.

Miss Anna Vehlase, of Hamilton township, left here this forenoon for Terre Haute to resume her studies in school.

Senator Louis Schneck went this forenoon to Indianapolis to look after matters pertaining to the opening of the legislature.

George Gillman, his wife and children, who have been entertained by his mother and family returned last night to Indianapolis.

Adolph Herman and wife, of East St. Louis, after a pleasant visit here to friends, went last evening to North Vernon to visit his mother.

J. C. Johnson, of Franklin, after being the guest of Mrs. C. M. Ingram, went last night to Moore's Hill, to resume his studies at college.

Mrs. Isaac Thompson returned last night to Oldtown from an enjoyable visit to her daughter, Mrs. James Russell, and family, of Parsons, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewartwood, who have been pleasantly entertained by their daughter, Mrs. Nelson Sewell, and family of Honeytown returned home last night to Columbus.

Joseph Murphy and wife, of near Cadillac, Mich., who have enjoyed a pleasant and protracted visit to his father, Job Murphy, and family, left this forenoon for home.

Miss Blanche Woerner returned to Seymour this morning.—Mrs. Shepherd and son, who have been visiting the family of Chas. Barnaby, have returned to Seymour.—Columbus Republican.

Mrs. Jane VanHook, of Paint Lick, Ky., after an interesting visit here to her son, L. R. VanHook, and family, went this morning to Brownstown to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Rev. J. N. Thompson, and family.

Notice of Election.

There will be an election of three trustees at Hall of Seymour Lodge, No. 304 I. O. O. F., January 12, 1897, all members are requested to be present and visitors are cordially invited to attend.

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CHANGES ANTICIPATED

Is the Operating Department of the B. & O. S. W.

In the very near future there will be several changes made in the operating department of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern road.

W. N. McMahan, who is now superintendent of the Mississippi Division, with headquarters at Washington, Ind., will be made superintendent of the Springfield Division. The Mississippi Division includes all the line of the old Ohio and Mississippi road from Cincinnati to St. Louis. The Springfield Division, which extends from Beardstown, Ill., to Shawneetown, it is understood, will be operated under Mr. McMahan independently of the main line.

H. C. Barnard, who is now assistant superintendent of the St. Louis and Springfield Divisions, will be made superintendent of the Mississippi Division, succeeding Mr. McMahan.

Mr. McMahan's headquarters in his new position will most likely be either at Flora or Springfield, Ill. These changes will take place in the near future, and it is believed that Trainmaster Mills, of the Mississippi Division, will be made assistant superintendent of the St. Louis Division.

The latter change is not, however, vouched for by the Enquirer, but it is likely to be made.—Enquirer.

BUSINESS NOTES.

W. H. Thomas is here from Crothersville on business.

Mose the Boss went this morning to Cincinnati on business.

W. P. Masters went this morning to North Vernon on business.

W. H. Gaither came here to-day from New Albany on business.

C. J. Attkisson made a business trip to Cincinnati this morning.

Farmers inform us that wheat sown of clay land will stand the cold weather better than that on sand land.

A large amount of fine white oak timber is being shipped here from Loogootee for the Band Saw Works.

Slaughtering and packing hogs will soon be in full force with our farmers. Some of our best farmers have no hogs to put up on account of their having died with cholera.

No Receiver.

Judge Buchwalter Saturday evening overruled the motion for a temporary receiver for the Duhme company and took under advisement the motion to require the filing of inventories and accounts. The company received word that Wilcox & Co. would withdraw their suit, as it was brought without due consideration.—Cincinnati Times Star.

Cure For Headache.

As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headache yields to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Price 50c and \$1.00. Get a bottle at W. F. Peter's, successor to J. H. Andrews & Co., drug store.

An Enjoyable Family Reunion.

Was had last night at the home of Henry Hodapp in honor of his sister Mrs. F. A. Carpenter, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, who has enjoyed an interesting visit to her brothers. Fifty friends were present and an elegant repast was served, which for elegance would have done honor to the president. The occasion was pleasant throughout. Mrs. Carpenter left this morning for her home.

CASTORIA.

The famous Castoria is on hand.

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS

Vice president and general manager Peabody and general superintendent of the B. & O. S. W., have gone to Baltimore.

R. W. Geiger, general freight agent of the J. M. & I., was in the city to-day from Louisville on business with C. C. Sappington.

The Pennsylvania railroad has already issued over 10,000 clerical orders for 1897 to regularly ordained clergymen in charge of churches.

The general officers of the J. M. & I. to-day notified the employees by wire to be prepared for a big snow storm that may reach here in the near future.

General passenger agent Chesbrough, of the B. & O. S. W., will arrive home from Asheville, N. C., the latter part of the week. Mr. Chesbrough has about recovered from the injuries he received.

The railroad will attempt to have congress amend the law requiring them to put in patent couplers. The law is proving very expensive. Two instances are given. The Lake Erie and Western has paid out \$600,000 and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul over \$2,000,000 and is not through yet.

It is reported that Thomas O. Platt, of New York, has his eye on the Chicago and Southeastern. The road has had a record. At one time one locomotive was chained to the track by the sheriff at Anderson, another at Noblesville, a third at Lebanon, while the fourth was hid away in the coal fields to prevent its being taken. For over a month the mail on the route was carried on a hand

POLITICAL SERVICES.

It now seems quite probable that H. C. Pettit, of Wabash, will be elected speaker of the house.

Charles G. Seifert, of Washington, will be a candidate for chief clerk of the lower house of the Indiana legislature.

W. T. Zenor, circuit judge of Harrison county, who was elected a member of Congress from the Third district, yesterday tendered his resignation. His successor as circuit judge will be appointed by the Governor. There are a number of candidates for the unexpired term. William E. Cook, who was elected to succeed Judge Zenor, and who will take the office at the end of the term, in October of this year, is a candidate for immediate appointment. Other candidates are W. H. Byrum, of Marengo, Crawford county; Judge Denbo, of Corydon; John Kirkham, of Harrison county, and William Ellis, of Corydon.

VALLONIA.

F. J. Meyers is on the sick list.

Mrs. Edmond Griffin is very sick with malarial fever.

William Empson shipped a car of fat hogs to Cincinnati last Monday.

Mrs. Manda Goss, who has been ill for some time, is growing weaker.

Merl, the little son of A. E. Pollock and wife, is very sick at this writing.

Edward and Frank Meyers were business callers at Seymour last Thursday.

Frank Humphrey, who has been at Indianapolis, returned home Monday night.

Ellick Hattabaugh, of Washington county, purchased Shields Miller's mules last Thursday.

The G. A. R.'s and S. of V.'s wives and daughters gave a big dinner at the city hall last Saturday in honor of the old soldiers.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, of New Albany, are the guests of the latter's parents, Joseph Hess and family, of Driftwood.

John Eck and family, of Medora, were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Barnum, and family New Year's day.

A novelty party was given at the home of Mrs. Frederick Turmair last Friday evening in honor of her daughter Miss Anna.

Thomas Barnum is having his blacksmith shop repaired by having a new floor put in it. James Copeland is doing the work.

Ariah Empson butchered eleven big fat hogs last Tuesday; the finest that have been butchered in Vallonia this year. Mr. Empson is a thrifty farmer.

Mrs. Emma Lockman and her brother, of Dupont, were called to the bedside of their mother, Mrs. Downs, who is very ill and not expected to live.

Miss Craft who has been keeping house for her brother, Will at Danville, Ill., was called to the bedside of her mother who is very ill with asthma. Her little nephew, Everett Craft, accompanied her.

Herchel Reynolds, of Pleasant Grove, who is clerking in C. J. Reynolds' store, was confined to his room several days last week with a severe sore throat, but is able to be out again.

WASKOM.

Barbara Waskom is on the sick list. The box supper at Hancock's was a grand success.

Rev. Bartle filled his appointment at this place Sunday.

E. Hattabaugh and John Bryan were on our streets Sunday.

The oyster supper was well attended and all reported a good time.

Several of our young folks attended the revival meeting at Tampico.

D. H. Mercer, of Cincinnati, came out to spend a while with O. W. Tuell.

Homeseekers' Excursions West and South. Apply to nearest passenger or ticket agent of Pennsylvania Lines for any desired information on the subject; or address F. VanDusen, Chief Assistant General Passenger Agent, Pittsburgh, Pa. Low rates open to all.

Still in Jail.

The officers who shot young Rippey near Salem, supposing him to be Harry Brooks are still held in the New Albany jail charged with murder. A special from Livonia adds: "Both of the officers deeply deplore the killing of young Rippey, but they claim that his actions threw them off their guard, and when he raised a shotgun to his shoulder they were satisfied that it was Brooks, and fired. The impression now prevails with many people that Brooks was in the house at the time of the killing of Rippey, but made his escape during the confusion."

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The exports for 1896 were about \$682,616,000, and the imports were about \$687,616,000. The balance of trade in favor of the United States was about \$245,000,000. The aggregate of the foreign trade of the United States for the year was about \$1,325,000,000. The foreign trade of 1896 was greater than that of 1895 or 1894. It was almost equal to that of 1893, but in the latter year the balance in favor of this country was not so great.

One of the notable facts shown by a comparison of 1896 with 1895 is that the exports of American manufactures increased about \$50,000,000. Agricultural products increased about \$45,000,000 in 1896 over 1895. The exports of 1896 show a gain of \$100,000,000 over 1895. This excellent showing for American trade is made, notwithstanding the loss which has been sustained in the trade with Cuba. The island sent to the United States \$33,000,000 of her products in 1895 and took \$12,000,000 of our products. This trade was almost entirely wiped out in 1896.

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CIVILIAN EXPERTS.

They Will Be Employed by the Naval Department to Examine Steelplate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Secretary Herbert and Assistant Secretary McAdoo conferred for several hours with the members of the special board, headed by Captain McCormick, charged with an inquiry into defective structural steelplate supplied for the battleships. It has finally been determined to employ 12 or 15 civilian experts to aid the steel board in the inspection of steel at the mills. These will be paid from \$4 to \$6 per day and they will be selected after competitive examination by civil service methods. More than 50 applicants have already made their appearance, and a number of these have been notified to appear here for examination. The secretary decided to pursue the investigation initiated by the McCormick board and look into the quality of the material supplied for vessels other than the Kentucky, Kearsarge and Illinois, which have already been examined. To this end the McCormick board has been ordered to visit Carnegie works at Philadelphia and examine the steel supplied by the Carnegie works for the battleship Alabama.

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ALL WERE STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The Germania Was the First to Succumb Quickly Followed by the Other Two—Officers Claim the Suspensions Were Caused by the Disturb Created by the Failure of the Minnesota National.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 5.—As a direct result of the closing of the Bank of Minnesota two weeks ago which created new distrust among bank depositors and started runs on a number of city banks that were reputed not to be as strong as depositors wished, three St. Paul banks, the Germania, the Allemania and the West Side, none of them national institutions, and all closely associated, yesterday closed their doors, one being now in the hands of the State bank examiner and the others making assignments. During the time that has intervened since the closing of the Bank of Minnesota, the Germania bank paid out \$225,000 to frightened depositors and early yesterday the directors concluded that they would stop the drain and made an assignment to the cashier, Peter M. Kerst.

The Allemania bank, which, like the Germania, had a large clientele among the Germans, and whose vice president had formerly been president of the Germania, then became the target for a lively run as could be seen during panic times anywhere. People crowded about the doors and fairly fought for place in the line before the paying teller's window. The president of the bank, Charles F. Staples, was called upon and promptly called on Bank Examiner Kenyon to take possession of the bank, and that official is now in charge.

The West Side bank, a small but possibly stronger bank, cleared through the Allemania, and yesterday its clearing house was returned by the latter institution. Following this there was a meeting of the directors to decide what action to take.

Their decision was apparent later when they filed a deed of assignment to Charles F. Staples, president of the bank. Considerable public money is tied up in the three institutions, but there is an ample supply for all immediate needs in the other banks of the city. The assignment of the Germania and West Side banks has brought up a somewhat new question in the banking laws of the state, and the courts will be called upon to settle it. The state bank examiner doubts their right to assign, holding that they should have, under the law, turned over their assets to him. The attorney general intimates that he will bring action to test the matter as soon as the papers are prepared.

During the day numerous reports of trouble among the other banks were current and a few banks suffered runs of greater or less intensity but the savings banks were protected by the law that allows them to require 60 days notice before paying out deposits and the national banks are in a strong condition and have no fear of anything of the sort.

WILL REPORT TO LEE.

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Physical and Mental Exhaustion Gives Way to Vigorous Activity.



REV. W. T. HOUCK, the talented pastor of Grace U. B. church, Carlisle, Penn., writes September 28, 1896: "I always enjoyed good health until 1892, at which time my duties as a clergyman were of a peculiarly trying nature, subjecting me to several severe nervous shocks which together with overwork and anxiety, impaired my general health and nervous system. Indeed I was in such a condition that the mere sight of a large congregation so wearied me that it would require a day or more for me to recover from the exhaustion. It affords me great pleasure to say that Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine and Restorative Tonic have done me untold good. I preached three times yesterday and I feel as fresh and vigorous this Monday morning as I ever felt in my life, thanks to your remedies. Dr. Miles' Remedies are sold by all druggists under a positive guarantee, first bottle benefits or money refunded. Book on Heart and Nervousness free to all applicants. DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.

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A BANK failure is always a public misfortune. But when the failure is due to careless and reckless mismanagement the sooner the bank is closed the better for all concerned.

It is now reported from Washington that Gorman and not Bryan is to be the candidate of the popocratic silverites in 1900. Alas, poor Bryan, how is thy greatness fallen!

It is said that McKinley has not invited anyone into his cabinet yet. The major seems to be simply studying the situation and taking his time about choosing his councillors.

The fact is worthy of note that travel by rail is now safer than travel over an ordinary highway. There is a smaller per cent of casualties in proportion to the number of passengers.

WEYLER claims to have pacified the province of Pinar del Rio—all but an army of 5,000 hidden away in the mountains. But a little thing like that doesn't trouble so great a general as the Spanish leader in Cuba.

JAPAN has ordered two steel cruisers from this country and two from England, to have a length of 374 feet, a draft of eighteen feet and a speed of twenty-two and a half knots per hour. The result will be a test between the shipbuilders of the two countries and in these tests American skill has usually triumphed.

A FERRY-BOAT that will carry thirty loaded railway cars at once, besides miscellaneous freight and passengers, is a pretty good sized boat, yet that is the kind of craft that now runs the ferry across Lake Michigan between Ludington and Manitowoc. There has been a remarkable increase in size of lake steamers within the past few years.

The quadrennial agitation for lengthening the presidential term to six years is being renewed. But while the four years of democratic administration just past is fresh in mind, it will be hard to convince a great many of our people that two years more of the same deficit producing administration would be a public benefit.

Provisions will probably be made in the new tariff law for a much broader reciprocity clause than was in force under the McKinley law. No stroke of statesmanship in these closing days of the nineteenth century has done so much for American commerce as has reciprocity. Our people, regardless of party will be glad to see it in force again.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

ARGENTINE WHEAT.

The persistent, conspicuous and eager exploiting of the Argentine Republic as a formidable rival to the United States in grain raising or as a great factor in the world of cereals has come to a halt. For several years English buyers used Argentine as a club to knock down the wheat markets, or the paw of the great bear. It is hardly too much to say that it was one stupendous confidence game. The Argentine wheat crop, at best, has been a relatively small affair, and what is more, the quality of wheat is poor. It would all be graded rejected in our Chicago market.

The latest advice says that the surplus this year will be only thirteen million bushels, not enough to furnish bread to the state of Illinois, and less than half the production of the state, and Illinois is not much of a wheat state either. It is safe to say that the surplus of Illinois is greater than that of the much-vaunted Argentine Republic.

The United States has no occasion to be jealous of Argentina, but we have a right to protest against the use of that little "jag" of wheat to cheat our farmers out of a fair price for their crop, as has been done year after year, almost, in fact, ever since that country began to raise wheat for exportation.

THE GEORGIA ANTI-TRUST LAW.

The state of Georgia has recently enacted an anti-trust law which is quite comprehensive. It prohibits and declares void all contracts, agreements or arrangements made with a view to preventing or obstructing free competition. It declares unlawful and void all trusts that are designed to regulate prices. Domestic corporations that disobey the law must surrender their charter and foreign corporations violating its provisions are prevented from doing business in the state. It is made the duty of the attorney general of the state to begin suit against any corporations failing to comply with the provisions of the law. There are no distinctions made between different kinds of trusts or combinations. All are to be treated alike. It is based on the theory that free competition is a public advantage and anything that takes this away is against the interest of the people.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free bottle at W. F. Peter's, successor to J. H. Andrews & Co.'s drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

In the Toils of a Blizzard.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 5.—The state of Iowa is in the toils of a fierce blizzard. The temperature has been falling and the loose snow is drifting and threatens to interfere with railway travel. Owing to sleek many of the telegraph and telephone wires are down.

Snow Storm in Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 5.—The railroads of the southwest are suffering badly from the snow storm. All trains were late, and in some places the traffic was suspended.

New Yacht For Victoria.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—A new ocean-going yacht is to be built for Queen Victoria in place of the Victoria and Albert, the present royal yacht.

Closed by the Sheriff.

QUINCY, Ill., Jan. 5.—The wholesale and retail grocery store of H. Ritter & Co., was closed by the sheriff yesterday on judgments aggregating about \$8,000. The total assets are \$40,000 and liabilities \$30,000. Business will be resumed shortly.

Democrats Organize the Legislature.

BOISE, Ida., Jan. 5.—Governor Frank C. Steunenberg and the other State officers were sworn in yesterday without ceremony of any kind. Both branches of the legislature met and were organized by the Democrats and silver Republicans. The latter voted solidly for the Democratic nominees. The Populists who fused with the Democrats in the election did not get a place.

President-Elect McKinley.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 5.—Mr. and Mrs. McKinley took a drive yesterday and later received a few personal friends. The president-elect will go to Canton tomorrow on personal business and return the next morning. An important conference is taking place today, but with whom Mr. Hanna refuses to say.

Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at this place and if not called for within 14 days will be sent to the dead letter office:

LADIES GENTS

Blackford Mrs J C Beckman Wm
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Murray Miss Jennie Brinkley Chas
Ramsey Miss Sarah Brown Wm
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A New Life of Gladstone

The most important feature of the January magazine number of The Outlook is the appearance of the initial chapters of Mr. Justin McCarthy's "Story of Gladstone's Life." Mr. McCarthy's fame as a novelist, biographer, historian, parliamentarian and Irish leader makes whatever he writes of peculiar interest. He has found no more congenial employment than in biographical work. There is a special value to this biography over most in giving to us portraiture rather than comment, personality rather than politics. Nevertheless we are sure that the politics must receive due appreciation from one who has had such just reason to be grateful for Mr. Gladstone's espousal of the Irish cause. The opening chapter of this "Life" describes the Gladstone family, their home at Liverpool, young William's school and college days at Eaton and Oxford, his thought of becoming a clergyman, his friends and contemporaries, his first parliament and his early appearance in public life. The value of the text is doubled by reason of the illustrations. There are a number of interesting souvenirs of Mr. Gladstone's school days, one of them being his first book plate, used at the tender age of twelve; another is a facsimile of the title page of his first Virgil, signed at the age of thirteen; and another a facsimile of the minutes of the Eton Debating Society, signed by "W. E. Gladstone, Secretary." (\$2 a year. The Outlook Company, 13 Astor Place, New York.)

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Grandma Bultman is again numbered with the sick.

Trustee C. J. Reynolds and wife, of Vallonia, visited friends in this vicinity last Sunday.

Misses Emma Garris and Pearl Reynolds started to Brownstown high school last Monday.

Levi Acton and daughters, of Free-town, were guests of John Pierron and family Friday.

Scott McElfresh, who for some months has been at Bedford is here visiting his parents.

Mrs. Elisha Sewell, of West Brownstown, was called to the bedside of her sick mother, Grandma Bultman.

Charley Anderson and son, Will, made a business trip to the Muscatuck bottoms one day last week.

While out serenading one night last week George Miller was accidentally shot through the foot and caused him much pain.

For Sale.

Cottage in good repair, cor. Chestnut and Oak W. E. HOADLEY, d22 d1f

The progressive ladies of Westfield Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by C. W. Milhous.

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Under escort of American Tourist Association, Reau Campbell, General manager. Sleeping and dining cars and special baggage cars through all the tour without charge. More miles and days in Mexico, more cities and towns than ever offered. Tickets include all expenses, sleeping and dining cars, hotels, etc. For information apply to F. Van Dusen, Chief Assistant General Passenger Agent, Pennsylvania Lines, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of Wm. H. Penn, chief clerk in the railroad mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Price 25 and 50 cents, sold by C. W. Milhous.

For Sale
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INDIANA OIL FIELDS

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DIED FROM A SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Sold His Body to the Physicians—Spontaneous Combustion—Central Illinois Pioneer Dead—Oldest Lutheran Minister Passes Away—School Building Damaged by Fire—Unknown Man Fell Dead.

ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 5.—The annual itemized report of the Indiana oil operations has been issued. The decline in the price of oil and overproduction has been disastrous to Indiana workers and the conditions existing in this State probably exist in all. The number of wells drilled was 1,687; the new production 47,152 barrels; the number of dry holes, 452. In the preceding year the number of wells drilled was 2,711; the new production was 17,877 barrels over this year, and the number of dry holes 784.

SOLD HIMSELF.

Jacob Gindlesparger Bartered His Body to Medical Men.
LAPORTE, Ind., Jan. 5.—The death of Jacob Gindlesparger, a well known citizen of Kendallville, will be followed by the delivery of his body to the Fort Wayne College of Medicine. Gindlesparger sold his body 15 years ago for \$15. Dr. J. L. Gilbert, a Kendallville physician, being the purchaser. Judge Wildman drew up the contract, and Gindlesparger, wishing to save his family and friends the expense of a funeral, signed away all claim to his cold clay. The sale is declared by lawyers to be valid, and the provisions of the unique contract will be carried out. Gindlesparger's body will be cut out to pieces in the interest of the medical science.

ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER.

Smith's Defense, It Is Alleged, Will Be a Plea of Insanity.

FR. WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 5.—The trial of Claude Smith for the murder of Albert Freck, opened yesterday. It is alleged that Smith lay in wait for Freck on his way home from work six weeks ago, and after killing and robbing him threw the body into the river. The case for the prosecution is almost convincing and it is openly stated that the defense will make a plea of insanity. Smith is a nephew of John H. Bass, the millionaire iron founder of this city.

EXPLOSION OF BLASTING POWDER.

One Child Burned to Death and Two Others Seriously Injured.

MILLERSVILLE, O., Jan. 5.—A son of Alex. Dolwick got hold of several pounds of blasting powder, and went to the cellar, accompanied by three sisters to kill rats. The stuff exploded and one girl, 8 years old, was burned to death. The clothing of the other children caught fire and they were terribly burned, as were Mr. and Mrs. Dolwick in trying to put out the flames.

Two Thousand Miners Out.

MASSEUSE, O., Jan. 5.—Notices have been posted all the mines in the Massillon district announcing the reduction in the price of coal mining from 61 to 61 cents a ton. The notice promised that if the coming convention at Columbus shall fix a higher rate than 61 cents the operators will pay it from Jan. 1. The posting of the notice caused a cessation of work at all the mines in the district and nearly 2,000 men are idle. A convention has been called to consider the reduction.

Unknown Man Fell Dead.

ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 5.—An unknown man fell dead at the Big Four railway station late yesterday. There is nothing on his person to indicate his identity, save the name L. Thomas on a laydown collar, 15 1/2 in size. The body is that of a person apparently about 50 years old, with almost a full set of black, high cheek bones and Roman nose. He was dressed in black.

Oldest Lutheran Minister.

FREEPORT, Ill., Jan. 5.—Rev. N. J. Stroh of Mount Morris is dead. Father Stroh, as he was commonly called, was the oldest Lutheran minister in the United States. He would have been 99 years of age on the 5th of next May. He was widely known all over this part of the country.

Spontaneous Combustion.

PORTLAND, Ind., Jan. 5.—A large frame barn in Noble township, the property of Dr. J. A. Morehouse was burned together with 1,000 bushels of corn, three years' crop of oats, a lot of hay and farming implements. The flames originated in a silo, presumably spontaneous combustion.

By Hanging.

JOLIET, Ill., Jan. 5.—Hugh Hentchel, aged 33 years, committed suicide at his home in this city by hanging himself. He had made an unsuccessful attempt to kill himself by cutting his throat and arms. Three weeks ago his wife left him and his five children.

Sudden Death of Miss McClure.
VINCENNES, Ind., Jan. 5.—Miss Effie McClure, 18-year-old daughter of ex-County Treasurer McClure, a student at Lincoln University, and home on a vacation, was stricken with a pain in the head yesterday and died within an hour.

School Building Damaged by Fire.
PIERCETON, Ind., Jan. 5.—Yesterday the public school building, caught fire from an overheated furnace, causing considerable damage. The school has been dismissed until the loss can be adjusted by the insurance companies.

Central Illinois Pioneer Dead.
PEKIN, Ill., Jan. 5.—Mr. Crane, the venerable father-in-law of Congressman J. V. Graft, and one of the pioneer and leading residents of central Illinois, is dead, near this city.

Free! Free! Free!
Given away for a few days only, commencing Saturday, December 12, trial boxes, each containing one week's treatment of Wright's Celery Capsules at Pollen's drug store. Any person afflicted with Liver, Kidney or Stomach Complaints, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Sick Headaches, can get one of the boxes free. Wright's Celery Capsules are purely vegetable, easy to take, no bad taste, do not gripe. Parties living out of the city can get them free by addressing The Wright Medical Co., Columbus, O.

POSTAL EVOLUTION.

STORY OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAIL SERVICE.

Crude Methods of Early Ages—Biblical References to the Post—Beginning of What Has Become an Almost Perfect and a Cheap System.

It seems almost incredible, in view of the wonderful labyrinth of postal routes all over the world today, that there ever could have been a time when there were no postoffices, no letter carrier, no mail facilities at all.

But, of course, there had to be some means of communication even in the earliest ages, though these were confined to centuries to emperors and kings and other great rulers. The emperors of Egypt, of Persia, of Assyria and of Rome held many lesser kings and satraps as their vassals. With these it was necessary to communicate with certainty and regularity, and therefore couriers were employed to carry dispatches and reports to and from the more distant provinces.

Of course no one man or one horse could traverse the whole route, so stations were established along the roads at certain intervals, where couriers were always in readiness to relieve weary brothers, and carry on the dispatches with uniform speed. These stations were called "posts," from the Latin word positum—fixed or placed—whence comes the name of our modern postal system.

In the Old Testament are frequent references to the posts. In II Chronicles you will find, "So the posts went with the letters," and "So the posts passed from city to city." In Esther also and in Job and Jeremiah you will find other allusions to the posts. But they were never for the use of the common people.

The Roman Emperor Augustus was the first to establish a system of posts suggestive of the present system. You have heard the saying, "All roads lead to Rome." This was the origin of it: From Rome as a center post roads were built, called "royal highways," extending all over Europe. After the decline of the Roman empire these post roads were abandoned by degrees, and during the dark ages they almost entirely disappeared.

In the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, however, their need began to be so strongly felt that posts between different parts of the same country were established, and soon these were extended into other countries. These posts were carried first by foot runners and then a little later by men on horseback.

It was not long, though, before the post privilege was extended, and it was found impossible for horseback riders to carry the increasing mail, so wheeled conveyances were provided, and the next step was for these conveyances to carry passengers as well as the mail.

And thus from the post was evolved the mail coach. What this meant to our hitherto shut in ancestors it is hard for us of the present day to realize even faintly. But it is safe to say that the evolution of the public post and the mail coach did more than any other one thing to hasten civilization.

In the reign of the Emperor Frederick III, Francis von Laxis, whose grandfather is said to have established a postal service across the Tyrol and Styria, entered the service of the house of Hapsburg and became the founder of the modern postal system. Through Von Laxis the emperor established regular posts throughout his kingdom between the years 1440 and 1488, and at the beginning of the sixteenth century the Austrian post became the international post of the Hapsburg dynasty.

In France the University of Paris organized a postal service in the thirteenth century which flourished until 1719. In some parts of Europe there were brotherhoods and mercantile guilds which established posts and postoffices subject to the government.

In England, in 1558, Rowland Hill started a private post, but Cromwell's heavy hand came down on the enterprise, and the men who carried the letters were trampled down and killed by his soldiers. Later on Mr. Hill came to the front again, instituted many reforms in the service, and at last gave to England a real and effective postal service. Louis XI of France founded a postal system in 1464, which was greatly improved by Charles IX in 1565.

But it was not alone the Christian nations that felt the need of a postal service. When the Spaniards invaded South America, they found a regular system of posts in operation, so that the news of their landing was carried to the Incas with incredible swiftness, the postmen being runners, who carried around their waists knotted cords, a code of signals or sign writing.

Coming down to our own country, suppose we take a peep at the mail methods in vogue in its earlier days. Let us take as a type the postal service between Boston and New York, where, in 1762, a post was established "to go monthly." Post riders, starting at the same hour from each end of the route, carried the mails. Leaving on Monday morning, they met and exchanged bags at Saybrook, Conn., on the following Saturday. Then each man returned to his starting point, which, of course, took nearly a whole week.

It was Benjamin Franklin that, in 1775, suggested the plan for a postal service on which our present system is founded. In the early days of this system rates were charged that seem outrageous to us of the present day—between Boston and New York, 18 1/2 cents, and 25 cents for points beyond. Of course this led to swindling the government and the smuggling of letters. Private parties carried mail secretly at lower rates, and in 1789 Harden's express entered the field, carrying letters concealed in bundles and other packages at less than legal rates.

But as soon as the government lowered its charges all these smugglers dropped out of the race. There was no money in it then.—Philadelphia Times.

Plate and Sheet Mills.
CLEVELAND, Jan. 5.—The plate and sheet mill of the Cleveland Rollingmill company, which has been closed down since 1895, will resume operations within a few days giving employment to probably 300 or 350 hands.

Electric Cars Collided.
KANSAS CITY, Kan., Jan. 5.—Two elevated electric cars collided yesterday, each being badly wrecked. Five passengers were badly shaken up and more or less seriously injured, but not fatally hurt. Dr. Adolph D. Orlich, the most seriously injured, was bruised on the head and rendered unconscious.

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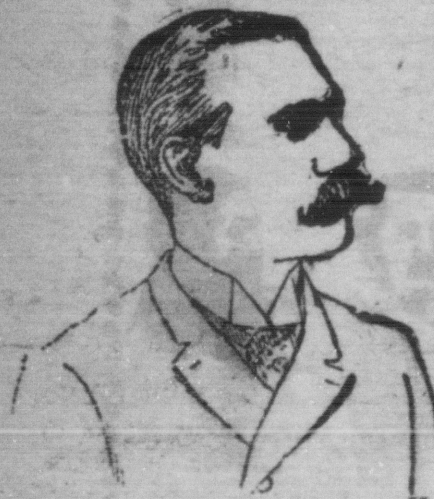
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J. A. BROS.

Charley Brinkley left this morning
for Seymour. Charley is figuring on a
possession with a furniture factory there
for the superintendent of the establish-
ment.—Columbus Herald

The little daisy photos 50 cents and
the Brownie cabinet photos 75 cents a
dozen at Platter & Co.'s South side
gallery. Just the thing for young
folks.

We have received a sample copy of
the new song "Come Home to Mother"
the latest publication by Isaac Doles of
Indianapolis. Mr. Doles will send you
a sample copy for 15 cts and this notice.
Regular price 40 cents.

When "Human Hearts" was here
some time ago our people were de-
lighted with the performance. "777"
which is to be at the opera house to-
morrow night is a play on the same
order and should draw a large house.
Do not fail to hear it.

The funeral of the late M. A. Yout-
sey will take place from the Christian
church at 10 o'clock to-morrow fore-
noon; interment in the city cemetery.
Religious services will be conducted by
Rev. T. J. Stevenson. All friends are
cordially invited to attend.

Farmers in northern Indiana say that
the mild weather of the past month has
practically killed the fall wheat. Many
of the fields present the appearance of
scorched grass, while the roots are dead
the result of the ravages of a peculiar
kind of worm. Wheat sown in corn
ground has not suffered so much as that
sown in fallow. From present indica-
tions many of the fields will be plowed
up in the spring and replanted in corn.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that the mem-
bers of Beharrell Encampment, No. 109
I. O. O. F., will elect three trustees on
Friday night, January 22, 1897.
F. NEEDHAM, C. P.
O. D. LUTKIN, Scribe.

"My daughter, when recovering from
an attack of fever, was a great sufferer
from pain in the back and hips," writes
Lourdes Groves, of Sardin, Ky. "After
using quite a number of remedies with-
out any benefit she tried one bottle of
Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has
given entire relief." Chamberlain's
Pain Balm is also a certain cure for
rheumatism. Sold by C. W. Milhouse.

PERSONALS.

L. Loyd is here from Covington, Ky.
Ewing Shields went last evening to
Vernon.

Miss Laura Moore returned to-day to
Walesboro.

R. Applewhite, Jr., was here last night
from Brownstown.

Miss Winnie Warren, of Scott county,
is here the guest of friends.

Mrs. Dr. Charles Patrick went to day
to Brownstown to visit friends.

John Kamman came home last night
from a visit to Holland relatives.

Miss Ella Essinger returned last
night to visit to Seymour friends.

Mrs. F. A. Wilson, of Paris, came here
to-day to see friends and relatives.

Mrs. Will Driscoll came home last
night from a visit to Shoal's relatives.

Several Washington people came up
last evening and left for Indianapolis.

Mrs. Cynthia James came here this
morning from Mitchell to visit friends.

S. B. Leiman and wife, of Bedford,
came here this morning to see friends.

Miss Emma Everback came home last
night from a visit to New Albany
friends.

Miss Alice Cobb went this morning
to Indianapolis to visit friends and re-
latives.

Mrs. F. M. Johnson returned last
night to Edinburg from a visit here to
friends.

Robert Biader came home Monday
from an enjoyable visit to friends at
Logansport.

Mrs. John Kline and sister, Mrs.
Daniel Vannoy, returned last night to
Columbus.

Mrs. Fred Sooble returned last night
to Washington from a visit to her sisters
at Columbus.

Allen Shepard's son came up last
evening to visit his aunt, Mrs. Hope-
well and family.

Misses Ella and Sina Warner came
here last evening from Crothersville to
visit Mrs. A. Life.

Miss Nellie Humbley accompanied
her cousin, Miss Alpha Brock, home
Monday at Elora.

Miss Ada Frank returned to Seymour
Tuesday to attend her school duty.—
Jeffersonville News.

Miss Lulu Borman has returned to
her uncle, John Bocham, from a visit
to her parents here.

Mrs. J. L. Dixon, after an enjoyable
visit to her mother, Mrs. Jane Lee, re-
turned last evening to Hope.

J. C. Ingram, A. D. Rodgers, M. F.
Maddox and S. A. Almond, of Indianap-
olis, were in the city this morning.

Amos Walton and wife, after a visit
to R. R. Short and family and other
friends, returned last night to Butler-
ville.

Mrs. Thomas Langley, after an enjoy-
able visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Gault,
and family returned last night to Au-
rora.

Miss Louisa Nieman, after a pleasant
holiday visit to her father, Fred Nie-
man and family returned last night to
Cincinnati.

Mrs. William Borman after an en-
joyable visit to her father-in-law, Harry
Borman, and family returned last night
to Cincinnati.

Mrs. L. D. Warman and Miss Ida
Warman, who have had an enjoyable
visit to friends here returned last night
to Columbus.

Miss Anna Vehalage, of Hamilton
township, left here this forenoon for
Terre Haute to resume her studies in
school.

Senator Louis Schneek went this fore-
noon to Indianapolis to look after mat-
ters pertaining to the opening of the
legislature.

George Gillman, his wife and chil-
dren, who have been entertained by
his mother and family returned last
night to Indianapolis.

Adolph Herman and wife, of East
St. Louis, after a pleasant visit here to
friends, went last evening to North
Vernon to visit his mother.

J. C. Johnson, of Franklin, after be-
ing the guest of Mrs. C. M. Ingram,
went last night to Moore's Hill, to re-
sume his studies at college.

Mrs. Isaac Thompson returned last
night to Oldtown from an enjoyable
visit to her daughter, Mrs. James Rus-
sell, and family, of Parsons, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Swartwood, who have
been pleasantly entertained by their
daughter, Mrs. Nelson Sewell, and fam-
ily of Honeytown returned home last
night to Columbus.

Joseph Murphy and wife, of near
Cadillac, Mich., and who have enjoyed
a pleasant and protracted visit to his
father, Job Murphy, and family, left
this forenoon for home.

Miss Blanche Woerner returned to
Seymour this morning. Mrs. Shep-
herd and son, who have been visiting
the family of Chas. Barnaby, have re-
turned to Seymour.—Columbus Repub-
lican.

Mrs. Jane VanHook, of Paint Lick,
Ky., after an interesting visit here to
her son, L. R. VanHook, and family
went this morning to Brownstown to
spend some time with her daughter,
Mrs. Rev. J. N. Thompson, and family.

Notice of Election.
There will be an election of three
trustees at Hall of Seymour Lodge, No.
204 I. O. O. F., January 12, 1897, all
members are requested to be present
and visitors are cordially invited to at-
tend.
JOSE ROBERTSON, N. G.
Row's Bldg., Sec'y.

CHANGES ANTICIPATED

In the Operating Department of the B. &
O. S. W.

In the very near future there will be
several changes made in the operating
department of the Baltimore and Ohio
Southwestern road.

W. N. McMahan, who is now super-
intendent of the Mississippi Division,
with headquarters at Washington, Ind.,
will be made superintendent of the
Springfield Division. The Mississippi
Division includes all the line of the old
Ohio and Mississippi road from Cin-
cinnati to St. Louis. The Springfield Di-
vision, which extends from Beardstown,
Ill., to Shawneetown, it is understood,
will be operated under Mr. McMahan
independently of the main line.

H. C. Barnard, who is now assistant
superintendent of the St. Louis and
Springfield Divisions, will be made su-
perintendent of the Mississippi Division,
succeeding Mr. McMahan.

Mr. McMahan's headquarters in his
new position will most likely be either
at Flora or Springfield, Ill. These
changes will take place in the near
future, and it is believed that Train
master Mills, of the Mississippi Division,
will be made assistant superintendent of
the St. Louis Division.

The latter change is not, however,
vouched for by the Enquirer, but is
likely to be made.—Enquirer.

BUSINESS NOTES.

W. H. Thomas is here from Croth-
ersville on business.

Mose the Boss went this morning to
Cincinnati on business.

W. P. Masters went this morning to
North Vernon on business.

W. H. Gaither came here to-day from
New Albany on business.

C. J. Attkisson made a business trip
to Cincinnati this morning.

Farmers inform us that wheat sown
of clay land will stand the cold weather
better than that on sand land.

A large amount of fine white oak
timber is being shipped here from Log-
ansport for the Band Saw Works.

Slaughtering and packing hogs will
soon be in full force with our farmers.
Some of our best farmers have no hogs
to put up on account of their having
died with cholera.

No Receiver.

Judge Buchwalter Saturday evening
overruled the motion for a temporary
receiver for the Duham company and
took under advisement the motion to
require the filing of inventories and ac-
counts. The company received word
that Wilcox & Co. would withdraw their
suit, as it was brought without due con-
sideration.—Cincinnati Times Star.

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CASTORIA.

Was had last night at the home of
Henry Hodapp in honor of his sister
Mrs. F. A. Carpenter, of Cedar Falls
Iowa, who has enjoyed an interesting
visit to her brothers. Fifty friends were
present and an elegant repast was
served, which for elegance would have
done honor to the president. The occa-
sion was pleasant throughout. Mrs.
Carpenter left this morning for her
home.

The officers who shot young Rippey
near Salem, supposing him to be Harry
Brooks are still held in the New Albany
jail charged with murder. A special
from Livonia adds: "Both of the officers
deeply deplore the killing of young
Rippey, but they claim that his actions
threw them off their guard, and when
he raised a shotgun in his shoulder they
were satisfied that it was Brooks, and
fired. The impression now prevails with
many people that Brooks was in the
house at the time of the killing of
Rippey, but made his escape during the
confusion."

D. H. Mercer, of Cincinnati, came
out to spend a while with O. W. Tuell.

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POLITICAL BRIEVITIES.

It now seems quite probable that H.
C. Pettit, of Wabash, will be elected
speaker of the house.

Charles G. Seifert, of Washington,
will be a candidate for chief clerk of
the lower house of the Indiana legisla-
ture.

W. T. Zenor, circuit judge of Harri-
son county, who was elected a member
of Congress from the Third district, yester-
day tendered his resignation. His
successor as circuit judge will be ap-
pointed by the Governor. There are
a number of candidates for the unex-
pired term. William E. Cook, who
was elected to succeed Judge Zenor,
and who will take the office at the end
of the term, in October of this year, is
a candidate for immediate appoint-
ment. Other candidates are W. H.
Byrum, of Marengo, Crawford county;
Judge Denbo, of Corydon; John Kirk-
ham, of Harrison county, and William
Ellis, of Corydon.

F. J. Meyers is on the sick list.
Mrs. Edmond Griffin is very sick
with malarial fever.

William Empson shipped a car of fat
hogs to Cincinnati last Monday.

Mrs. Manda Goss, who has been ill
for some time, is growing weaker.

Merl, the little son of A. E. Pollock
and wife, is very sick at this writing.

Edward and Frank Meyers were busi-
ness callers at Seymour last Thursday.

Frank Humphrey, who has been at
Indianapolis, returned home Monday
night.

Ellick Hattabaugh, of Washington
county, purchased Shields Miller's
mules last Thursday.

The G. A. R.'s and S. of V.'s wives
and daughters gave a big dinner at the
city hall last Saturday in honor of the
old soldiers.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson, of New
Albany, are the guests of the latter's
parents, Joseph Hess and family, of
Driftwood.

John Eck and family, of Medora,
were the guests of their daughter,
Mrs. Thomas Barnum, and family New
Year's day.

A novelty party was given at the
home of Mrs. Frederick Turmail last
Friday evening in honor of her daugh-
ter Miss Anna.

Thomas Barnum is having his black-
smith shop repaired by having a new
floor put in it. James Copeland is
doing the work.

Azariah Empson butchered eleven big
fat hogs last Tuesday, the finest that
have been butchered in Vallonia this
year. Mr. Empson is a thrifty farmer.

Mrs. Emma Lockman and her brother,
of Dupont, were called to the bed-
side of their mother, Mrs. Downs, who
is very ill and not expected to live.

Miss Craft who has been keeping
house for her brother, Will at Dan-
ville, Ill., was called to the bedside of
her mother who is very ill with asthma.
Her little nephew, Everett Craft, accom-
panied her.

Hershel Reynolds, of Pleasant Grove,
who is clerking in C. J. Reynolds' store,
was confined to his room several days
last week with a severe sore throat, but
is able to be out again.

Barbara Waskom is on the sick list.

The box supper at Hancock's was a
grand success.

Rev. Bartle filled his appointment at
this place Sunday.

E. Hattabaugh and John Bryan were
on our streets Sunday.

The oyster supper was well attended
and all reported a good time.

Several of our young folks attended
the revival meeting at Tampico.

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